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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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**Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Comment Request** 

## **Single Family Mortgage Insurance on Hawaiian Homelands**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY**: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: Comments Due Date: [Insert date 60 days after date of publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER].

**ADDRESSES**: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Reports Liaison Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Washington, DC 20410, Room 9120 or the number for the Federal Information Relay Service (1-800-877-8339).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**: Program Contact, Director, Office of Single Family Program Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708-2121 (this is not a toll free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available information.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department is submitting the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

<u>Title of Proposal</u>: Single Family Mortgage Insurance on Hawaiian Homelands.

<u>OMB Control Number, if applicable</u>: 2502-0358.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: FHA insures mortgages on single-family dwellings under provisions of the National Housing Act (12 USC 1709). The Housing and Urban Rural Recovery Act (HURRA), P.L. 98-181, amended the National Housing Act to add Section 247 (12 USC 1715z-12) to permit FHA to insure mortgages for properties located on Hawaiian Homelands. Under this program, the mortgagor must be a native Hawaiian. Section 247 requires that that the Department of Hawaiian Homelands (DHHL) of the State of Hawaii (a) will be a comortgagor; (b) guarantees or reimburses the Secretary for any mortgage insurance claim

paid in connection with a property on Hawaiian homelands; or (c) offers other security acceptable to the Secretary.

In accordance with 24 CFR 203.43i, the collection of information is verification that a loan applicant is a native Hawaiian and that the applicant holds a lease on land in a Hawaiian Homelands area. A borrower must obtain verification of eligibility from DHLL and submit it to the lender. A borrower cannot obtain a loan under these provisions without proof of status as a native Hawaiian. United States citizens living in Hawaii are not eligible for this leasehold program unless they are native Hawaiians. The eligibility document is required to obtain benefits.

In accordance with 24 CFR 203.439(c), lenders must report monthly to HUD and the DHHL on delinquent borrowers and provide documentation to HUD to support that the loss mitigation requirements of 24 CFR 203.604 have been met. To assist the DHLL in identifying delinquent loans, lenders report monthly. A delinquent mortgage that is reported timely would allow DHHL to intervene and prevent foreclosure. This collection of data is cited in 2502-0060.

**Agency form numbers, if applicable**: None.

<u>collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of</u>
<u>response:</u> The number of burden hours is 109. The number of respondents is 272, the number of responses is 544, the frequency of response is on occasion, and the burden hour per response is one hour and four minutes.

**Status of the proposed information collection:** This is an extension of a currently approved collection.

**<u>AUTHORITY</u>**: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C., Chapter 35, as amended.

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